



READY RESERVE TRAINING 2010-11

NEEDS ANALYSIS

We had a successful year of providing Ready Reserve sponsored courses in Northeast Region. We provided training to over 200 Washington Fire Service volunteers. In total, four entry level Wildland Firefighter (FFT2) courses, five Advanced Firefighter (FFT1) courses, along with 11 Annual Fireline Refresher (RT-130) courses were offered throughout Northeast Washington.



It's that time of year again when we begin to plan and schedule wildland fire training courses. In order to best serve the districts/departments in NE Washington, we are looking to get some feedback regarding the need for certain courses in your area. Therefore you will find an attached *Needs Analysis form* to be mailed back (or faxed 509-684-7484) to help us in identifying how many folks have a need to attend NWCG courses through the Ready Reserve Grant.

Deadline to respond is SEPTEMBER 24TH.

Even if your district/department does not qualify for Ready Reserve Training, these courses will be open to other agency participation. So, it is important to get an idea of what your training needs are regardless of Ready Reserve eligibility.

Courses will generally be held on the weekends during the January, February, and March months. Field days will be scheduled weather permitting towards April and May.

Responses will be reviewed to determine when and where the courses will be held. In order for a course to be scheduled, the course will require 15 students that are Ready Reserve eligible. Courses will be posted on the Eastern Washington Training Zone course calendar AND a schedule will be mailed to each agency. Courses will be conducted per NWCG (National Wildfire Coordinating Group) guidelines and completion certificates will be issued to those students successfully completing the course.



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READY RESERVE ELIGIBILITY



Rural Fire Assistance Grants*

Administered by DNR with funding from the U.S. Department of Interior, this program helps rural fire districts and departments meet basic needs for equipment, training, and fire prevention through a 10 percent match. Opportunities for this training may be available to fire protection districts and departments in Washington State that:

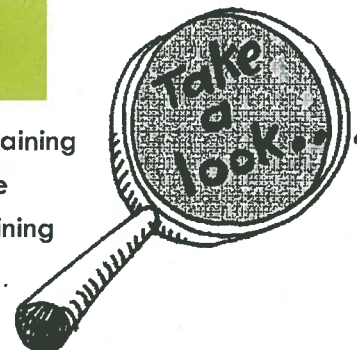
- Protect rural, wildland-urban interface communities (where homes are built in forested or sparsely populated areas).
- Play a substantial cooperative role in protecting federal lands.
- Have fire protection agreements with the Department of the Interior or the State of Washington.
- Serve communities with a population of 10,000 or fewer residents.

Call Bob Bannon (360-902-1300) for details or questions regarding Ready Reserve eligibility and grant assistance.

WHAT COURSES ARE AVAILABLE?

The Ready Reserve courses offered are aimed at providing the necessary training for operational roles in the wildland fire arena. Additional NWCG courses that are available to your agency can be found on the Eastern Washington Interagency Training Zone (EWITZ) website at <http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/oka/fire/training/index.shtml>

The 2010-2011 schedule will be posted by December 1st.



INSTRUCTOR PARTICIPATION

It is our goal to have an diverse group of qualified instructors from all agencies to provide a quality NWCG course experience. We are looking for individuals who would like to participate as instructors. This is a great opportunity to gain some instructor experience and also provide a more enriching experience for the course participants. Your participation is flexible and the Lead Instructor would work with the instructor on how much and what you would teach. If you or someone in your agency is interested, please indicate your interest in the space provided on the Needs Analysis form.

RT-130 ANNUAL FIRELINE REFRESHER

There are two options to choose from when getting RT-130 training for your district/department. You can request a pre-packaged course that includes all the Fireline Refresher annual elements and national emphasis/hot topics. The other option is to request Northeast Region provide a RT-130 course for your agency. We would like to encourage districts that have a qualified lead instructor (SRB or above) to sponsor their own RT-130. If your agency does not have a qualified lead instructor, NE Region will provide assistance upon request.

RT-130, ANNUAL FIRELINE SAFETY REFRESHER TRAINING (Packaged Course)

Course Description

Annual Fireline Safety Refresher training provided by your qualified lead instructor using a pre-packaged course made available to all NE fire districts/departments. Course materials will cover all required elements needed to meet NWCG 310-1 requirements. These elements include: Entrapment Avoidance, Current Issues, Fire Shelter, and Other Hazards and Safety (refer to WSTAR website for overall required course content <http://www.nifc.gov/wfstar/index.htm>).

Course materials will become available mid-February and may be requested from Tammi Ellerbroek. In addition, course hand-off sessions will be made available to further support deliverance of RT-130 materials to your agency.

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RT-130, ANNUAL FIRELINE SAFETY REFRESHER TRAINING (Lead Instructor from NE Region, DNR)

4 hrs (suggested)

Course Description

Annual Fireline Safety Refresher Training should be designed to provide up to date fireline safety information to employees holding Incident Command System qualifications requiring this training per the 2006, PMS 310-1, Wildland Fire Qualification System Guide.

Target Group: Employees holding Incident Command System qualifications requiring annual fireline safety refresher training per the PMS 310-1, Wildland Fire Qualification System Guide.

Course Prerequisites: None



NWCG READY RESERVE COURSES

FFT2

S-130, FIREFIGHTER TRAINING

2003

30-35½ hrs

Course Description

This course is designed to provide entry level firefighters skills. Many of the units are set up so they can be taught in either the classroom or the field; field time is encouraged. A version of L-180, Human Factors on the Fireline, has been included as part of this course. Credit should be issued for both S-130 and L-180 upon completion of this course.

Target Group: Entry-level firefighters

Course Prerequisites: Introduction to Wildland Fire Behavior (S-190).

S-190, INTRODUCTION TO WILDLAND FIRE BEHAVIOR

2006

6-8 hrs

Course Description

This course provides instruction in the primary factors affecting the start and spread of wildfire and recognition of potentially hazardous situations. S-190 is typically taught in conjunction with or prior to Basic Firefighter Training, S-130. It is designed to meet the fire behavior training needs of a firefighter type 2 (FFT2) on an incident as outlined in the PMS 310-1, Wildland Fire Qualification System Guide and the position task book developed for the position.

Target Group: Entry-level firefighters

Course Prerequisites: None



FFT1

S-131, FIREFIGHTER TYPE 1

2004

8 hrs

Course Description

Firefighter Type 1, S-131, is an eight-hour course designed to meet the training needs of the Firefighter Type 1 (FFT1). This course is designed to be interactive in nature. It contains several tactical decision games designed to facilitate learning the objectives and class discussion. Topics include fireline reference materials, communications, and tactical decisionmaking.

Target Group: Firefighter type 1 (FFT1).

Course Prerequisites: Qualified as a firefighter type 2 (FFT2).

S-133, LOOK UP, LOOK DOWN, LOOK AROUND

2009

4 hrs

Course Description

This course is designed to train Incident Commander Type 5 (ICT5) and Firefighter Type 1 (FFT1) to identify environmental factors and indicators of hazardous fire conditions, and how to use these indicators when implementing the Risk Management Process. The course is CD-based classroom course, based on facilitated exercises.

Target Group: Incident commander type 5 (ICT5) and firefighter type 1 (FFT1).

Course Prerequisites: None



COURSE

S-215, FIRE OPERATIONS IN THE WILDLAND/URBAN INTERFACE

2003

28-32 hrs

Course Description

This course is designed to assist structure and wildland firefighters who will be making tactical decisions when confronting wildland fire that threatens life, property, and improvements, in the wildland/urban interface.

Instructional units include interface awareness, size-up, initial strategy and incident action plan, structure triage, structure protection tactics, incident action plan assessment and update, followup and public relations, and firefighter safety in the interface.

Target Group

Wildland Fire Agencies: This course is required training for strike team leader (tractor/plow, dozer, engine, or crew) and is recommended training for initial attack incident commander type 4 (ICT4).

Structural Fire Departments: This training is appropriate for engine operators, chief officers, and company officers responsible for structure protection in suburban and urban interface areas that may be threatened by wildland fire.

Course Prerequisites

Structural Fire Departments: Students should have completed Introduction to ICS (I-100), Human Factors on the Fireline (L-180), Firefighter Training (S-130), Introduction to Wildland Fire Behavior (S-190), and Firefighter Type 1 (S-131); or equivalent training.

NWCG READY RESERVE COURSES

S-290, INTERMEDIATE WILDLAND FIRE BEHAVIOR

2007

32 hrs

Course Description

This is a classroom-based skills course designed to prepare the prospective fireline supervisor to undertake safe and effective fire management operations. It is the second course in a series that collectively serves to develop fire behavior prediction knowledge and skills. Fire environment differences are discussed as necessary; instructor should stress local conditions.

Target Group: Personnel desiring to be qualified as any single resource boss.

Course Prerequisites: Introduction to Wildland Fire Behavior (S-190).

S-230, CREW BOSS (SINGLE RESOURCE)

2004

24 hrs

Course Description

This is a classroom course designed to produce student proficiency in the performance of duties associated with the single resource boss position from initial dispatch through demobilization to the home unit. Topics include operational leadership, preparation and mobilization, assignment preparation, risk management, entrapment avoidance, safety and tactics, offline duties, demobilization, and post incident responsibilities.

Target Group: Required training for personnel desiring to be qualified as a single resource boss.

Course Prerequisites: Qualified as firefighter type 1 (FFT1). Successful completion of Inter Wildland Fire Behavior (S-290).

S-231, ENGINE BOSS (SINGLE RESOURCE)

2004

12-16 hrs

Course Description

This is a skill course designed to produce student proficiency in the performance of the duties associated with engine boss, single resource (ENGB). Topics include engine and crew capabilities and limitations, information sources, fire sizeup considerations, tactics, and wildland/urban interface.

Target Group: Personnel desiring to be qualified as an engine boss (ENGB).

Course Prerequisites: Crew Boss, Single Resource (S-230). Qualified as a firefighter type 1 (FFT1).

S-232, DOZER BOSS (SINGLE RESOURCE)

2006

16-20 hrs

Course Description

This is a skill course is designed to meet the training needs of a Dozer Boss on an incident as outlined the PMS 310-1 and the Position Task Book developed for the position. Primary considerations are tactical use and safety precautions required to establish and maintain an effective dozer operation. A field exercise is required as part of the course.

Target Group: Personnel desiring to become qualified as a single resource boss, dozer.

Course Prerequisites: Qualified as firefighter type 1 (FFT1)

S-200, INITIAL ATTACK INCIDENT COMMANDER

2006

16 hrs

Course Description

This course is designed to meet the training needs of the incident commander type 4 (ICT4). It is presented in a discussion/exercise format. The six instructional units include Foundation Skills; Intelligence Gathering and Documentation; Size Up the Incident; Develop a Plan of Action; Post-fire Activities; Evaluating Incident Objectives and Manage the Incident. Evaluation of the student is by unit tests and performance based evaluations.

Target Group: Personnel desiring to be qualified as an incident commander type 4 (ICT4).

Course Prerequisites: Qualified as any single resource boss

SINGLE RESOURCE BOSS
ENGB
DOZB
ICT4



2010-11 TRAINING NEEDS ASSESSMENT

READY RESERVE COURSE OFFERINGS

COURSE	PREREQUISITES	COURSE HRS	# OF CANDIDATES	PREFERRED DATE(S)	PREFERRED LOCATION
S-130 (INCLUDES I-180)	NONE	30-35			
S-190	NONE	6			
S-133	NONE	4			
S-131	FFT2	8			
S-290	FFT2	32			
S-230	FFT1 & S-290	24			
S-231	FFT1 & S-230	12-16			
S-232	FFT1 & S-230	16-20			
S-215	FFT2	28-32			
S-200	SRB (ex. ENGB)	16			
RT-130	RED CARDED	4-8			

If you are interested in a course, but not sure of candidate numbers, you can simply write "Interested" in the "# of Candidates" column. If there are not enough students in the county, a location that is centrally located, will be established based on needs by the DNR course coordinator. **This form is due back to Tammi Ellerbroek by September 24th.** An envelope has been provide or fax to 509-684-7484.

County: _____ Fire District: _____

Submitted by (print name): _____ Contact Phone: _____

Chief/Training Officer Signature: _____ Date: _____

RT-130 Pre-packaged Course? ☐ Yes If, yes would you like a handoff session? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Possible Unit Instructor(s)? List below their name and the course(s) they would be willing to help out with.